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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In connection with the above-identified application filed herewith, please enter the following preliminary amendment (marked-up copy attached):

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the following claims:

3. (Amended) The battery electrode according to claim 1, wherein an entire surface of the electrode plate is patterned by applying pressure, to which the lead is bonded.

8. (Amended) The method according to claim 6, wherein the removed excess active material is collected by suction.